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SUBJECT: SENEGAL- MORE STEPS ON THE ROAD TO RECONCILIATION
WITH GUINEA

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1. IN THE PROCESS OF RECONCILIATION AND NORMALIZATION OF
RELATIONS BETWEEN GUINEA AND ITS NEIGHBORS OVER THE PAST
YEAR, SENEGAL HAS BEEN THE DOUBTING THOMAS AND FOOT DRAGGER.
SIGNS ARE MULTIPLYING, HOWEVER, THAT THE GOS IS DROPPING
ITS CUSTOMARY RESERVE TOWARDS GUINEA AND IS PURSUING A
FAR MORE ACTIVIST POLICY TOWARDS IMPROVING RELATIONS.

2. MOST IMPORTANT RECENT STEP OF COURSE WAS VISIT OF
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GUINEA MINISTERIAL DELEGATION TO SENEGAL MAY 2-6 AND
AGREEMENT TO RESUME DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS MAY 8. AS
REPORTED REFTEL, SENEGALESE DESIGNATED VERY HIGH POWERED
DELEGATION FOR THESE BILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS AND GAVE
MAXIMUM PUBLICITY TO RECONCILIATION AND RESUMPTION OF
RELATIONS.

3. FURTHER STEP TOWARDS NORMALIZATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF RELATIONS HAS BEEN WELL PUBLICIZED VISIT TO SENEGAL PAST FEW DAYS ON NATIONAL ORCHESTRA OF GUINEA, "BALLA ET SES BALLADINA". MINISTER OF CULTURE ASSANE SECK HAS SERVED AS PATRON FOR THIS VISIT, OVERTONES OF WHICH ARE AS MUCH POLITICAL AS CULTURAL. RECEPTION BY SENEGALESE HAS REPORTEDLY BEEN ENTHUSIASTIC AND SENEGALESE JOURNALISTS ASSOCIATION IS ORGANIZING ANOTHER GALA FOR THE NATIONAL ORCHESTRA OF GUINEA ON JULY 1.

4. IN ADDITION, PRESIDENT JAWARA OF GAMBIA, WHO JUST ARRIVED IN DAKAR FOR MEETINGS WITH PRESIDENT SENGHOR AND SESSION OF OMVG (GAMBIA RIVER DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION) IN KAOLACK JUNE 30, DECLARED, "NOTHING STANDS IN THE WAY OF GUINEA'S JOINING THE OMVG." JAWARA'S STATEMENT IS REINFORCED BY MAIN HEADLINE IN TODAY'S "LE SOLEIL" -- "GUINEA WILL BE WELCOME".
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